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Cancellation of PN 61.1711, Overseas Chinese in Southeast Asia

Research performed on this project has developed the fact that the UK format will not be satisfactory and that the HE is a better medium for its publication. Therefore PN 61.171: is cancelled and the subject will be covered in a forthcomin issue of the MR, probably MR 59-3.

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GENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY Geography Division, ORR

Project Initiation Memorandum

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Acting Chief, Geographic Research

Project No. 61,1711

From:

Chief, Geography Division

Date: 30 October 1958

- 1. Subject of Proposed Project: Overseas Chinese in Southeast Asia
- 2. Statement of Problem: To prepare an analysis of significant cultural geographic aspects of the problem of the "Overseas Chinese" population in Southeast Asia, emphasizing 1) the geographical distribution of the Chinese population compared to other racial elements of the population, and 2) the role of the Chinese population in the human geography of each of the several countries concerned. Also included will be a brief interpretation of the significance of these Chinese communities in the political goegraphy of the region, specifically related to the problem of relations between the individual countries of Southeast Asia and the rival Chinese regimes.
- 3. Requester: Self-initiated
- l. Responsible Analyst:

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- 5. Kind and Extent of Cooperation Desired:
 - a. Other divisions of the Geographic Area: Cartography to prepare maps.
 - b. Other parts of CIA: CIA Library for documents; OCI for coordination.
- 6. Estimated Man Hours: 150 in D/GG
- 7. Probable Completion Date: November 15, 1958
- 8. Probable Form of Final Publication: CIA/RR-GM-

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- 17 Nov -- To AD/RR with formowing note from RJV:

 "The exact format is yet to be determined after further research.

 Proposed project is approved with this decision pending."
- 21 Nov -- Returned to A/Ch/G from AD/RR, with note:

 "Bob: This is a critical subject -- much studied by the British,

 Department of State, and ONE. There are SNIE's on it, I believe.

 See me. /s/ OEG"
 - 2 Dec -- Original to D/GG with note from A/Ch/G: "Per phone call to Ch/D/GG"